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H. A. RITCHTE, Superintendent

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1898,

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Hongkong, 19th May, 1898. JUST ARRIVED.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICE of the General Managers, No. 5, Queen's Road Central, on MONDAY, the 16th January, 1899, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers, together with a statement accounts to the 31st December, 1898,

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to 16th Idnuary, 1899, both days inclusive, MEYER & Co.,

General Managers; Hongkong, 30th December, 1898.

OF THE

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W. H. TALBOT, Sub-manager for the East. Hongkong, 3rd January, 1899.

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VICTORIA PRECEPTORY A REGULAR MEETING of the VIC-TORIA PRECEPTORY will be held at

the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on SATURDAY, the 14th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Sir Knights are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 5th January, 1899.

Potice of Firms.

NOTICE. WE have This Day admitted Mr. ALEX-ANDER ALFRED HEINRICH FINKE a Partner on our FIRM.

GROSSMANN & Co. Hongkong, ist January, 1899. NOTICE.

EROM Date my business will be carried on under the STYLE and FIRM of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

GEO. R. STEVENS Hongkong, 1st January, 1899. NOTICE.

MR. GUSTAV ADOLPH DEGENER-BOENING refired from our FIRM on the 31st December, 1898. We have established a BRANCH of our FIRM at TSINTAU, (KIAO,

Mr. C.-SCHWENCKE has been authorized to sign our FIRM by procuration in Hongkong. from This Date.

CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1899. [44 NOTICE

THE business of DODWELL CARLILL

W Co, here and at Shanghai, Hunkow, Yokohama, Kobe, Tacoma Wash, Portland Ore., Victoria, B.C., and Dock House, London has from This Day been transferred to, and will be conducted under the title of —
DODWELL AND COMPANY, LIMITED Mr. EDMUND SINGLETON WHEAL LER has been appointed Manager, and Mr. GEORGE HAROLD MEDHURST, Sub-

Manager, at This Port.
All Debts due to or by the FIRM of DOD. WELL CARLILL & Co. will be received or paid by DODWELL & Co. Ld.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1899.

To-dan's Advertisements.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TAIWANFOO (DIRECT). THE Company's Steamship

"TAKSANG," on MONDAY, the 9th instant, at 4 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON, & Co., i. : General Managers. Hongkong, 7th January, 1899,

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN! Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 10th instant, For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,

General Managers. Hongkong, 7th January, 1899. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, .

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. THE Company's Steamship

Captain Ramsay, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 10th instant, at 3 P.M. The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines: A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provis-

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Hongkong, 7th January, 1899. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVAGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOROHAMA AND KOBE. THE Company's Steamship

"SULTAN? Captain' Lake, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 10th instant, at 4 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., ..

General Manager. Hongkong, 7th January, 1899. THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

HIS Company's Steamsh Captain II. Kock, will be despatched for the above Port, on TUESDAY, the toth instant, at

5 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

This Steamer has Accommodation for Passengers. For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers. Hongkong 7th January, 1899.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

Captain Davies, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 12th instant, at 4 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON, & Co.,

General Managers, Hongkong, 7th January, 1899. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI. (Passing through the ISLAND SEA.) THE Company's Steamship

"HOHENZOLLERN." Captain E. Woltersdorff, will leave for the above Ports on or about FRIDAY, the 13th instant. For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co.,

Hongkong, 7th January, 1899. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE. STEAM TO

SHANGHAI AND KIAUTSCHAU. THE Company's Steamship

"PREUSSEN," Captain R. Heintze, due here with the outward "German Mail about the 12th instant will leave for the above places about 24 hours after

For futher Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Hongkong, 7th January, 1899.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGA-TION COMPANY (UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT).

STEAM TO SHANGHAI AND KOBE. THE Company's Steamship "GISELA,

Captain F. Mosca, will leave for the above places on SATURDAY, the 14th instant, A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER, WIELER & Co., Hongkong, 7th January, 1899:

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY FOR-KUDAT-AND-SANDAKAN. THE Company's Steamship .

"DEUCALION," Captain Branch, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 14th instant, at Ndon. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

· 'Agents... Hongkong, 7th January, 1899.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL. CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC

will produce a Pantomime entitled, 'THE YELLOW DWARF,'

HARLEQUIN THE KNAVE OF HEARTS, and the FAIR PRINCESS.

On the following dates :-7th January, 1899. TO-NIGHT, MONDAY, SATURDAY.

The TICKET OFFICE at the Theatre will be OPENED and Seats can be booked from to A.M. to 4 P.M., every day; SUNDAYS and GENERAL HOLIDAYS excepted.

DOORS OPEN EACH EVENING, at 8 P.M. PERFORMANCE at 8.30 PRECISELY. Stalls and Dress Circle\$3

Half Price to Soldiers and Sailors in uniform to the Pit.

Late Trams to the Peak a quarter of an hour D. WATSON'SH. K.D., BLEND after fall of the curtain. E. W. MITCHELL, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th January, 1899. VICTORIA ENGLISH SCHOOL. "CRAIGENGOWER."

Caine Road. CCHOOL duties will be resumed for the new Term on MONDAY, the 9th instant at 9 A.M. Hongkong, 7th January, 1899.

學國

KOWLOON WATER SUPPLY. WING to the scarcity of water, the supply in the Public Mains in Kowloon PENINSULA will be turned on from 6 A.M. to 6 P.M. only, until further notice.

Water Authority. Public Works Office, Hongkong, 7th January, 1899.

R. D. ORMSBY,

-GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. TNFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that ARTIL-LERY PRACTICE will take place from SYWAN HILL (near Lyemun), between the 17th and 19th of January, 1899, in a Southerly direction over a land range, against spurs on Mount 'Parker': and also in a South-Easterly direction

over a land range on to a hill. All persons are warned to keep clear of the ranges, which will be indicated by Gunners placed on piquet for that purpose, whilst practice is being carried out.

All persons are, moreover, warned, that any unexploded shell should not be touched. By Command,

T. SERCOMBE SMITH. Acting Colonial Secretary Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th January, 1898;

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

HE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "BENGAL,"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloong Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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5 P.M., TO-DAY. Goods not cleared by the 13th instant, a 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever. All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent, Hongkong, 7th January, 1899. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED. FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship "CHELYDRA," having arrived from the above-Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their

Goods will be delivered from alongside. -Gargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after Noon, the 10th instant will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 1899.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

ideveloping with some degree of rapidity at the present moment and we note with regret | pised North American Indian. But that that the trend of affairs does not seem to is manifestly not the case. The lower indicate a peaceable settlement of the points classes are certainly to a great extent un- stereotyped English girls. The Queen also at issue between the Philipinos and the educated, but so were the lower classes of United States Government. As we have Europe and the United States fifty years repeatedly stated in our columns the ques- back. The Philipino middle classes are tion of the recognition of the Philipinos fairly well educated and the upper classes, is one of exceeding delicacy and any to which Aguinalpo and his confreres hasty action one way or the other on belong, are gentlemen of high intelligence the part of the Americans is to be greatly and exceptional attainments. It is to the updeprecated.....The Philipinos have hitherto-per classes of their own prople that the Philiacted with a wonderful amount of modera- pinos will look for guidance and they, being tion and the fact of their having done so men of mark, can mould them as they wish. and having also petitioned that an impartial It is not a case of an uneducated rabble of commission be sent to the Philippines to semi-savages placing themselves in opposilook into matters and judge of the suitability | tion to constituted, authority, but a group of Optional Goods will be landed here unless of the Philipinos for a certain measure of well educated and courteous gentlemen, self-government lends colour to the supposi- | trained in modern sciences and arts, who tion that an amicable settlement may yet be have plenty of raw material at their disposal arrived at.

> Were a commission to be appointed to enquire into the question of the suitability of the Philipinos to have a voice in the do not say that it would result in the Philipinos obtaining all that they ask. It might | and of this the British have a full share; or it might not. At least it could do no fully 50 millions sterling. The recommence sentation" and if this is the sum total of full brunt of the misfortunes of war will fall their demands we cannot see that they are

excessive or unreasonable. It is exceedingly unfortunate that the massacre of Spaniards in Balabac, if true, should have occurred at the present juncture, when the fate of the Philipinos is, as it were, hanging in the balance. This massacre will, we fear, go, far towards damaging the case of the Philipinos both in the United States and in Europe. It will be said that if these things occur in Balabac they may take place in Luzon also and the Philipinos will get all the credit of the outrage just reported. Such a conclusion is manifestly an unjust one. The Philipinos. are no more directly responsible for the action of the natives of Balabac than a leader of a London strike would be for a riot in Madrid. The natives of Balabac cannot for a moment be compared with Aguinatho and his compatriots. The former have never been really under Spanish sway; they belong to a very distinct race and have by no means reached the stage of civilization attained by the majority of the Philipinos. They belong to the old pirate [1487 | tribes who even forty years ago were still the

terror of the Sulu Sea and were making periodical raids upon the coast of Borneo. They may be described as born pirates, for the old predatory instincts have never been stamped out from among them as has been the case with the Philipinos.

The Reuter's telegram which we publish to-day, stating that, it is probable that AGUINALDO may be arrested if he refuses to disarm the Philipinos, does not look as though a peaceable settlement of matters was contemplated by the United States, and we are exceedingly sorry that such a statement should have been made, and earnestly trust that it may prove to be erroneous. We do not think that any such high-handed action should be attempted at the present time, as it can only lead to complications and bloodshed. It has been stated that thereare divisions in the Philipino camp which may make matters, easier for the Americans, but any such action as an attempt to arrest the Philipino leader cannot fail to cause his followers to forget their own little differences and bickerings in the common cause and will certainly tend to increase any bitterness that they may feel against the Americans. The arrest of Aguinalno will prove no easy matter either, we imagine, and the news, having been wired by Reuter, will put him and his followers on their guard and may possibly result in actual hostilities. commencing, which might otherwise have been easily avoided: -

To take another view of the matter, the. Philipino troops in Luzon at the present moment greatly outnumber those of the United States. We have the authority of the Times Correspondent for stating that they are well drilled and well equipped, and as this was said of them a couple of months ago, it is only reasonable to suppose that their armament and organization has been improved in the interim. The United States, it is true, have reinforcements on the way to Manila, but were the Philipinos day. to commence hostilities immediately they could do an immense amount of damage and sacrifice many valuable lives long before the American reinforcements could possibly arrive upon the scene. Then, too, the question arises, are the Americans in a position to at present dictate terms to the Philipinos? They can control the Bay of Manila and the coast ports of the archipelago by means of their fleet, but ashore we do not think that they can do much more in such a difficult country than stand on the defensive and unless an offensive attitude can be taken it is very little use attempting dictating terms to anyone.

We do not pretend to hold a brief for the

Philipinos. We are just as ready to point think, however, that the United States Government does not understand the class of people with whom they have to deal Prior to the outbreak of the Spanish, American War popular knowledge on the subject of the Philippines and the Phili pinos was practically a minus quantity, and a sufficient time has not elapsed yet for this state of affairs to be remedied. In all probability nine-tenths of the people of the The Philippine question appears to be United States look upon the Philipinos as a mere race of savages, on a par with the desto throughly organize and carry out a campaign, resolving to fight for what they consider to be their rights,

The great interests at stake in the Philipmanagement of the affairs of the islands we pines must not be lost sight of either. Much foreign capital is invested in the islands harm and would show the Philipino leaders | ment_of hostilities will further disorganize that the people of the United States were trade, and, besides causing all capital invested not desirous of rushing matters through and of [in the islands to lie idle, occasion great losses settling the Philipino question without gran- and probably ruin to many. The industries ting those most interested a hearing. We of the country, which have suffered so greatly believe that the Philipinos would be grateful | during the rebellion and subsequent for the hearing allowed them and that even | war, and which can hardly as yet be said to if the Commission did not see fit to grant the have recovered to any very appreciable whole of their demands that a satisfactory extent, will be once more arrested in their arrangement might easily be arrived at by development and the trade and prosperity of means of mutual concessions. The Phi- the place will be thrown back several years, lipinos claim that all they ask is the adoption. And the worst of it is that it will not be upon of the principle "no taxation without repre- those actively engaged in warfare that the Thousands of peaceable persons will be thrown out of employment, crops, villages and even flourishing, cities will be destroyed and the land laid waste over large areas where before all was peace and contentment. When these things are taken to consideration it is earnestly to be hoped that no rash steps will be taken by either party to precipitate matters. A little forethought, diplomacy and consideration may well settle the vexed question of the future of the Philipinos; but war can only bring discontent and ruin and great losses in men, and money by the United States, who seem reluctant to profit by the lessons in the art of colonization which we have learned as the result of centuries of experience.

The Observatory report says :- On the 7th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer continues to fall N. E. to E. winds : fair.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE DREYFUS AFFAIR.

LONDON, January 5th. The Cour of Cassation has summoned Major Esterlinzy as a witness.

AMERICA AND THE PHILIPPINES -INSURGENTS.

It is stated in Washington that an attempt will probably be made to arrest Aguinaldo'i he refuses to obey the command that the Philipinos disarm and disband within a reason-

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE King's Own go under canvas at Kowloon on Monday next.

FOR assaulting a police constable Edward Stapleton was fined \$3.

THE football match, Scotland w the World, was won by the World by 3 goals to o. THE Japanese Concession at Hankow has

been marked out by the commissioners of

Japan and China. THE fire which broke out in the Coal Mine at Otsuji, Fukuoka prefecture, on the 15th ulto. continued until the 23rd, and destroyed about

600 isubo of coal THE doubling of the Sanyo Railway line has been completed and the work has been inspected by the Government authorities. It

was to be opened on the 1st January.

A NEW public school building in Chicago has been named after Admiral Dewey, and the board of education in that city has set apart the first school day in May to be observed as Dewey

IT is amusing to note the causes which go to influence the fashion of ladies dress. The Times reports that Lady Harberton thinks that tuberculosis is greatly assisted by the ladies who drag their skirts through the filth of the streets. As a consequence, within six months we shall not be at all surprised to see ladies of fashion wearing short dresses-and all through n migrobe.

THE manager of the Hongkong branch of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States has received a telegram from New York announcing that on Tuesday, the 3rd inst., the Society received applications for new assurances to the amount of over five million goldout their mistakes and condemn them as to dollars. This constitutes the largest amount praise them when occasion arises. We do of business received in any one day during the Society's existence.

> IT appears, remarks a New York paper, "that Queen Victoria recently expressed her views on the marriages of members of the English aristocracy with American girls. She confessed that she at first viewed these unions with no little anniety; but added that her fears have thana. since been completely allayed, and the Queen now thinks that American girls, from the breadth of their education, independence, and rapidly changing life, are better able to adapt themseves to a new environment than the more thinks it unfair to insinuate that mercenar motives are the frequent cause of the marriages of impoverished nobles to American heiresses. Now, who was the person who impersonated 'Her Majesty in this choice interview?

-Messes-Benjamin; Kelly' and Potts in their

Weekly Share Report state :- Banks. - Hong-

kong and Shanghai Bankshave ruled much firmer

and after a small sale at 248 per cent. premium, have advanced to 253 per cent. premium with sales and further buyers. The London quotation is £54. Bank of China and Japan shares (£4 paid up) were sold in Shanghai at £1 Nationals are obtainable at \$17. Marine Insurances .-Unions are offering at \$230. China Traders have changed hands at \$621 and \$63. Fire Insurances.-China Fires are enquired for in small lots at \$89. Hongkong Fires are steady at \$320. Shipping. Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboate have been sold at \$26 and Pinung Garette. more can be placed at the rate. Douglas Steamships have strengthened and have been done at \$53. Indo-Chinas have changed hands at \$60, \$61 and \$62, closing with sellers at the latter rate. Star Ferries have been negotiated at \$10, and close with buyers at \$101. Refineries.-China Sugars have been dealt in at rates between \$168 and \$121, and are obtainable at the latter rate. Luzons are quoted at \$55. Mining .- Punjoms have been sold and are wanted at \$6; the Preference, shares have changed hands at \$1.50. Raubs continue to Some say the 1st of January next, others the adance and have been placed at various rates, and up to \$50 has been paid, the market closing steady. Charbonnages are wanted at \$115. Jelebus have been done and are in demand at \$44. Queen Mines have been been fixed at April hext, and will submit to the Diet a bill 70 and 75 cents, and are wanted at the latter to this effect early next year, quotation. Great Eastern and Caledonians have been booked at \$75. Docks, Wharves and Godowns .- Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have improved slightly and sales have been effected at 288 and 290, and there are now buyers at 291 per cent. premium. Kowloon Wharf shares are wanted at \$77. New Amoy Docks are enquired for at \$15. Lands, Hotels and Buildings,-Hongkong Lands have been fixed at \$74 and are in small demand. Hongkong Hotels are steady at \$72. Humphreys' Estate have been done at \$84. West Points are offering at \$19. China Providents have been sold. at \$10}. Cotton Mills.-No business to report down. The grandmother-in-law was killed in stocks under this heading. Miscellaneous .-Green Islands Old have been booked at \$26 | bours and stabled a woman to death. He and \$261; the New shares have also changed then made off and came upon an old man in hands at \$241, \$241, \$25 and \$251 (including the jungle and murdered him by stabbing him on the China coast. Pressure appears to be the Sro call due 1st instant) and are wanted at now highest over Japan. Gradients slight to the latter rate. I ces are weak with sellers at moderate. FOREGAST :- Moderate or fresh \$120. Electrics are quiet at \$10. A. S. Watsons have been sold at \$125

A LARGE fire occurred at Foochow on the 22nd ulto. The outbreak occurred in a Chinese house occupied by singing girls next to Malcampo & Co.'s godown and destroyed sixteen houses. No casualties are reported.

THE issue of convertible notes by the Bank of Japan amounted, on the 27th ulto. to ven 12,600,000 over the prescribed limit. It is said the Bank has applied to the Authorities for permission to issue yen 15,000,000 to meet the requirements of the season.

THE Pinang Gazette is responsible for the statement that an influential company has been formed in London for the purpose of opening sugar estates at different contres in the Malay Peninsula. The company is to crect factories for working their own cane, and that of planters; to make advances; and to purchase canes or juice. Mr. John Bruce, of Byram, has already commenced operations; Mr. Stothard, of Caledonia, will probably, be the manager, and the promoters of the Company are Sir John W. Ramsden, Messrs, Boustead & Co., and Mr. John Turner.

WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of Water in Reservoirs

on the 1st January. 13 ft. 5 in. below - [11 ft. 9 in. below : Tytam to in above - f-15 ft.-7 in below-Pokfulam .. Coverflow STORAGE GALLONS.

292,300,000 Tytam., ...356,250,000 32,880,000 Pokfulam .. 67,800,000 Total ... 424,050,000 325,180,000 Consumption of Water in the City of Victoria and Hill District during the month of Decem-

Consumption...83,850.000 98,241.000 gallon Estimated population Consumption

Consumption of Water in Kowloon Peninsula during the month of December.

Consumption... 6,079,000 6,914,000 gallons population } Consumption

The Government Analyst reports that the water is of excellent quality. R. D. ORMSBY, Water Authority

THE ABANA REEF.

The following is the exact position of the reef upon which the ill-fated ship Abana struck, near Labuan, in the early part of December .- Brunei Cliffs S 54° W: Pelong Rocks, S 35° W; Puala Dahat (highest point) N 59° E : Biarong Island "just on " with Great Rasakan Island: least water spring tides, about 2: to 22 feet. These bearings were taken while anchored over the reef by Capt. Busk of the Aing Hin, and Captain Smith of the

- The Mercury, with her salvage crew were working hard at the wreck (December 20th) the Aing Hin acting as tender between Labuan and the wreck. It was impossible then to form any opinion of the success of the salvage operations but the party are sanguine of being able to get-her-off-and-bring-her-to

The reef is right in the fairway and very dangerous. It certainly ought to be marked, by beacon or buoy, the former for choice. The discloration of the water is not discernible as the prevailing colour of the water in Brunei Bay is a light dirty green. - Straits Times.

PROGRESS IN KEDAH.

We are informed that the wise policy, recenty adopted by the Siamese government, of placing the Malay provinces of Situl and Purlis under. the administration of the Kedah authorities has already borne good fruit. Chinese pepperplanters and traders are flocking to the districts mentioned, and the general farm of Situl, which for many years has brought in an income of only \$10,000 a year, has now been taken over by the captain of the Chinese of that province and his brother at \$26,000 ner annum. This, we think, speaks volumes for the confidence felt by the public in the fair-dealing and protection to be expected from the Kedah authorities.-

ABOLITION OF EXPORT DUTIES IN JAPAN.

The Kobe Herald of the 29th ulto. says :- It. is evident that the Government intends to abolish the export duties, as the General Budget for the next fiscal year which has been submitted to the Diet by the Government does not contain any mention of this source of revenue. As to the date on which the duties will be removed considerable doubt prevails. 1 1st of April next, the beginning of the next fiscal year. Others again think it will be the day on which the revised treatics go into effect, It is now reported to us, says the Asahi, that the Government has decided on the 1st of

AMOK IN PERAK.

GRUESOME DETAILS.

The Perak Ploneer describes an amok at Bhota in that State, under the following terrible circumstances. A Malay, named Ghafur fell out with his wife and the latter took steps to secure a divorce. The result was that, on the 14th instant, the husband took his two little children to his wife's house. There they disputed about the custody, of the children until the husband cut matters short by killing first the children and then the mother. The mother-in law interfered and was cut next. The amok runner then murdered his sister-in-law. He next turned upon the neighin the back, and burnt down the hut. He also set fire to the house in which his wife was living. The amok-runner then took to the wilds, and has so far eluded a posse of Police sont in pursuit.

ADULTERATED BRANCT.

Wong Hi Cheng was charged with having sold to Thomas Duncan a bottle of brandy, which was diluted with water and not of the substance and quality demanded by the prisoner.

From the evidence it appears that Thomas Dungah, Inspector of Police, entered the defendant's shop at 75 Queen's Road, and bought a bottle of brandy for which he paid 80 cents. In the shop he saw two cases containing bottles of brandy similar to what had been sold him; one of the cases had been opened and five or six bottles taken out.

The Acting-Government Analyst to whom the brandy-had been submitted stated that he had made an analysis and found it to contain six per cent more water than was allowed by

For the defence it was stated that the defendant did not know that the brandy had been adulterated; in the first place he had bought it as pure brandy, and that the defendant sold the brandy in question under protest. It was submitted that the question was not as to whether the brandy was, adulterated, but as to whether it was of the nature and substance demanded by the purchaser, and whether the actually been kept waiting for some time. Mr. purchaser received what he asked for.

· His Worship fined the defendant \$100 in default three months;

THE FUTURE OF WEI-HAI-WEI.

· A representative of Reuter's Agency has had an interview with Colonel O. F. Lewis, R.E. who has just returned from Wei-hai-Wei, whither he was despatched by the Government, accompanied by survey officers, to report on the possibilities of the place from the point of view of a British garrison. His report is now in the hands of the War Office, and Colonel Lewis will shortly proceed to Gibraltar to take up his new appointment as Colonel on the Staff Commanding Royal Engineers. ' Speaking to Reuter's representative, Colonel Lewis

My report is, of course, of a confidential character, and I cannot go into any detailed account of the possibilities of Wei-hai-Wei, but I can say that it is the general opinion of those' who have been, and are, there, that in almost every particular, Wei-hai-We, from both a all light moveable articles and when Admiral naval and a military standpoint, will prove one of greater value than was ever anticipated. In some quarters it has been said that nothing has been done by the British Government since the lease of Wei-hai-Wei. To this I would reply that within the short time of our occupation, a large amount of work has been accomplished in the nature of preparation for a wellconsidered development of the place. Already new charts, have been prepared by the Ad-. , miralty, and the land survey is well advanced. In addition, the Government are now in possession of a number of reports on various aspects of the problem to be solved, drawn up by naval, military, and civilian officials sent out for the purpose. Wei-hai-Wei is much more commodious than Port Arthur, but its exact possibilities as a harbour for a British fleet i cannot discuss publicly.

Colonel Lewis, however, showed to Reuter's representative a photograph in which two British battleships, one first-class cruiser, one second class cruiser, and five other warships of various classes were to be seen at anchor in the port, there being at the same time ample room for a much larger fleet. As showing the safety of the anchorage, Colonel Lewis continued :-"While I was at Wei-hai-Wel, there was a typhoon, the centre of which was within thirty miles of us, and a tremendous'sea came into the western entrance, and also into the Castern, but the island gave excellent protection. The larger vessels of the fleet were not affected at all, and the smaller ships, although they rolled somewhat, sustained no damage. Wei-hai-Wei lends itself to the erection of any necessary buildings, and of a dockyard establishment as soon as a decision has been taken.

tifications Colonel Lewis remarked :-- At pretures. They consist of the Admiralty and other offices, a certain number of private houses, and the cottages of the villagers. They are all indifferently built. A number are in ruins, and -some have been pulled down. There is no accommodation for any number of European troops, and at present only a small guard can beput up. In the Japanese camp the arrangements; are good, but not suitable for European troops, especially in the winter. This camp will however, prove most "useful "for the native-regiment, which, I understand, is to be raised. The masonry of the fortifications on the island is intact, but the doors, windows, and all fittings have been carried away. All good guns have been removed and any others left rendered useless. On the mainland all' the forts have beed entirely destroyed and blown up by the Japanese fot a native regiment. As a matter of fact, the Chinaman for military service, and practigally neathing of his ability to act as a none commissioned officer. How far his local guild and family ties will influence his independence and affect his power of maintaining discipline we cannot yet tell. That is one reason why sent out at the end of the year, to act first as instructors and then as non-commissioned officers over this native regiment, which will be about 1,030 strong. This, however, is purely garrison the place. Nothing has yet been decided, but it is certain that a European garrison of some nature must be employed if Wei-hai-Wei is to be held, but neither in this matter nor in the question of the adminis-

Dealing with the climate and the native population, Colonel Lewis said :- The climatic conditions are very fair. The Chinese population are strong, healthy, and peaceable. They live in the numerous villages which nestle stem of a banana plant (Musa textilis). The methods employed for its collection. It is among the valleys over the British territory, plant has an inedible fruit, and grows in poor mined in the Comarines Norte province in among the valleys over the British territory, and follow agriculture and silk growing. There is also a large fishing population, living around the shores of the little bays into which come | Leyte, and Bohol. The plant is rudely cul- | Mindanao, but with small results. With the The largest centre, in fact the only place except | the fibres separated from the surrounding tissue | could be profitably; obtained in many places, the villages, is the walled town of Wei-hai-wei, by rude domestic machines. It takes two and probably the prospecting has been incomwith an area of about three-quarters of a mile. | natives to prepare twenty-five pounds in a day. | pletely done, It is not at all over-populated; it is the chief . The coarser outside fibres are exported in . There are two known coal fields, one in business quarter, and here the Chinese exercise | the crude state, chiefly to Great Britain, the southern Luzon, the other on the western jurisdiction as before the place was leased to United States, and the Australian colonies | slopes of Cebu and the eastern, of Negros. Great Britain. At present Wei-hai-wei has no where they are used for making a highly-prized The first probably extends over into Samar, roads, water supply, or drainage, but it has the cordage. The fine fibres are used at home for | and has furnished good steaming coal. One elements of a good place. When it is developed it will prove to be a very desirable and ornament. They are light, transparent and in the other there are at least five beds of very durable. The fabrics are varied by using varying thickness and quality.

claring that it is likely to be one of the best some cotton, silk, or other fibre with the Manila. Iron ore of excellent quality is known in

count of the prelimary work done by the Royal from the plant, The abaca has been introduced foundries." Copper ore has long been known Engineers at Wei-hai-wei is fully confirmed by into other parts of the world, but the conditions in the province of Lepanto. It was early a private letter from a naval officer on the of its native home of the Philippines are more worked by the natives, and in 1862 a company station. The naval scheme is to build a break. favourable and the labour is there so cheap | was formed to conduct copper mining in this water across the eastern entrance, and to dredge that no successful competition has been est- region. It is also tound on Masbati Island, on the harbour until there is room to anchor the ablished,
whole fleet. The dredger is on the way out, Export of abaca began in 1831, and the lead and mercury are known, and also of rock. but it is doubtful whether the Government will amount exported is steadily increasing. In oil. Sulphur is obtained on Leyte for use in the water, L. & C. Espreis, ___ spillion dollars.

TRAVELLERS' HOTEL IN TROUBLE.

Henry Oliver, proprietor of the Traveller's Hotel appeared at the Police Court this morning-on a charge of having supplied intoxicating liquors to Europeans during prohibited

hours, to wif 5.45 a.m. The constable stated that seeing lights he entered the hotel, where he found seven British bluejackets and three Germans, some of the men were drinking. He saw a female serve drinks and take the money for them, but when she noticed his presence, she returned the money to the sailors; and soon after the lights were turned out. When he left the hotel the female followed him, and asked him to give her one more chance.

Cross-examined by Mr. E. J. Grist the constable said that he could not swear that the liquor the men were drinking was intoxicating. He did not think that it was either lemonade or ginger ale: it wasn't usual to serve ginger

"Eor the defence it was stated that all the men found in the hotel were sleeping on the premises, that they were patiently waiting til '6 o'clock for a drink, and that the men had Grist said that the defendant was doing his best to carry on the house in a proper and legitimate-way, and he asked his Worship to dismiss the case. .

His Worship fined the defendant \$50.

RELICS OF THE WAR.

By the kind permission of the Manager of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. We were renabled to inspect the Spanish cruisers which have recently been raised from Manila Bay. At prefent at the first glance they certainly look only fit for the scrap heap; but on closer inspection they have the framework and build to make very servicable boats for river and coast defence. The Isla de Cuba and the Isla de Lusan are sister ships of about 1500 tons displacement with horizontal triple expanison twin screw engines capable of driving them 16 knots an hour. They are belted and have a protective armoured deck, also a very dangerous looking ram. The Philipinos, when the ships were abandoned by the Spaniards stripped them Dewey was expecting Admiral Camara's fleet, he ordered them to be destroyed by fire after taking all the big guns from them. The Spaniards sunk then in about three fathoms, the water coming up nearly to the top of the funnel casing, but as they were not on an even keel, the bow was immersed, leaving the sterm quite visible, and after remaining in this position for five months, it was decided to try and raise them, the United States Government giving the contract to the Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company. No great difficulties had to be overcome in the raising; divers went down and plugged up holes and, a lighter being brought alongside, pumping operations started and within three days both boats were affoat. No dead bodies were found on the Cuba but on the Luzon two skeletons were discovered, so the Spaniards after opening all the sea-cocks, must have taken to their boats and saved themselves. There is only one shot mark on the Luzon; the projectile must have carried away one of the guns and then struck the conning tower without doing any more injury. The magazines of them both are believed to be full of ammunition and until it has been removed, they will not be allowed to enter the docks. On the Isla de Luzon were found three drill torpedoes, but no active ones have yet been been seen. It was thought that one was one in her forward torpedo tube when she sunk and the dock emplayees would have nothing to do with it, so the naval torpedo men had to come and inspect the tube, but found nothing alarming. Work is now started on them and it is expected they will be fit for sea again within three or four months. The voyage from Manila, through Turning to the question of barracks and forbad weather, took 5 days, the boilers and engines behaving splendidly considering their sent all the buildings are the old Chinese struc- long immersion in the water. When approached concerning cost, Mr. Gillies would only say that he expected they would turn out a very

PRODUCTS AND RESOURCES OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

good speculation for both the Dock Company

and the U. S. Government.

The great commercial products of the Pilippine Archipelago are sugar, homp, tobacco, copra and coffee, and their importance, as ar-

ticles of export are in the order given. The production of sugar has increased rapidly. In 1871 it was less than 100,000 tons: in 1881, 230,000 tons; in 1893, 261,686 tons; and it was then increasing at the rate of 15,000 tons per year. About one-third of the total in the most thorough manner. But I may say | production is from the province of Pampanga, that suitable sites for barracks and fortifications | in the central area of Luzon, and nearly north can be found without difficulty. In the new of Manila. The provinces about Manila Bay territory very good material ought to be found | and the one north of Pampanga are also large | indestructible by rot. The forests generally producers. The sugar is exparted from Manila, however, we know very little of the aptitude of | and goes chiefly to Spain and Great Britain, | where they have been extensively thinned out says M. W. Harrington, in the Scientific or cleared off.

A better quality of sugar, but in smaller quantities, is obtained from the violet-coloured | buffalo proper. He is especially useful in the cane in the central islands of Panay and Ne- | simple and rude tillage still used by the natives. gros. The very best comes from the province British non-commissioned officers are being of Capiz, on the north coast of Panay. This He is derived by a mixture of Oriental and sugar is imported from Ilo-ilo, and is sent Occidental stocks. The ox, goat and hog do chiefly to the United States.

experimental, and cannot be counted upon to ations, and these are generally mohastic, may be found, usually in herels. These plantations are usually leased to Chinese | The native manufacturers of the Philippines half-breeds, from whom better results are larg not few, and their textile fabrics are obtained than from Europeans. The small especially fine and worthy of a larger market cultivators perform their own work with hired | than they have so far found. The natives make labour, but suffer under the difficulty of not | many other things, among them a coarse pottery tration of Wei-hai-Wei has anything been being able to manufacture economically. There of great utility. is a tendency towards their absorption into | Valuable minerals are generally diffused

resemblance of the fibre to that of hemp, at entire area, in placers and veins, but usually least in colour. It is derived from the leaf in quantities which do not pay with the rude soil. The best plants grow in Southeastern south-eastern Luzon and in the Misamis and Luzon and the adjacent islands of Samar, Suriguo placers of northern and north-eastern large shoals of herrings at certain seasons. I tivated, cut down when three years' old, and refind modern methods of collecting gold it

Next in order of value, but first in popular estimation, is the so called Manila tobacco. It is a highly-prized tobacco, classed by some as the equal of Havana tobacco, and by a few as its.

superior. Certain it is that some. Manila leaf is imported into Cuba, though it is not known how it is used. The Cuban tobacco is classified with regard to its excellence, the Manila with regard to its fine appearance. Manila tobacco is stronger than it looks, and it has a fine flavour, to which those who use it become

very much attached. " The tobacco was made a monopoly of the Government in 1789. That is, anyone could raise it, but the Government only buld buy it and could set the price and pay for it when it pleased to be two or three years behind in its payment. In 1892 this restriction was removed: and small growers now can produce 'more pro-

It is grown over Luzon and the neighbouring islands, but the very best comes from the two large provinces of Cagayan and Isabe in the extreme north-eastern part of the island. Here the land suitable for it is now all occupied. The cultivation of the plant requires little labour. The men of the household usually perform the tillage, and the women and children the rest of the work.

Rather less than half of the crop is sent out in the leaf, and this goes largely to Spain and other European countries. The remainder is made up into cigars and cigarettes, two-thirds of which are consumed at home and the remainder exported, chiefly, to the neighbouring countries of continental Asia and Japan. In 1893 about 11,000 tons of leaf were exported and near 140,000,000 of cigars. The price of this tobacco in the Oriental countries is low. Boxes of 500 excellent cheroots (a cigar open at both ends) can be got

The copra is a preparation of the cocoanut made in great quantities in tropical islands all over the world. It seems to be a relatively new product for the Philippines; 11,500 tons were exported in 1893. The cocoa palm is very common and highly prized in the Philippines. All parts of it are used.

Coffee was introduced in the Philippines, probably in the latter part of the eighteenth century from Brazil. The first large plantation was established in 1826, and the production began to extend actively lifteen or twenty years ago. Latterly the export has decreased very greatly. It used to average 2,500 tons a year, but has recently sunk to only 300. This is probably due to the revolution, for the coffee is of good quality, some of it excellent.

Unlike Manila hemp and tobacco, the coffee requires some capital on the part of those who undertake it. It takes the trees four or five years to begin to hear. Those who are able to make the necessary advances have prospered greatly, and, especially about Manila, have-

become rich. The exported coffees formerly went exclusively to France, but are now scattered over Europe, usually through Singapore. They are of two sorts, the Manila and the Zamboanga. The first is grown about Manila, chiefly to the south and east of Manila Bay. It has a small berry and is more highly prized than the other. The Zamboanga coffee is produced in the south, principally on Mindanao and the Sulu Islands. The berry of this variety is larger, but less care is used in

its preparation. It goes directly to Singapore. Rice is the chief product of the Philippine Islands, but it is not exported. It is the staple food of the natives, and sometimes the supply is short. Both the mountain and lowland rice are produced, and more than ninety varieties are known. ... It is easy to cultivate them, and n favourable years the yield is very generous. Maize is grown in considerable quantities.

So are the sweet potato, yams, ground nuts, gourds, potatoes, and peas. A little wheat is raised at high elevations. Among the fruits are the mango, plantain, banana, mangosteen, ack fruits, medlars, landzon and durian, the last especially in the Sulu Islands. The islands are generally mountainous, and at proper elevations-the-fruits-of southern Europe and of Florida flourish, as the orange, citron and

The cotton of this archipelago is excellent, and its production makes some progress. The cacao, can be successfully grown and of good quality, but little attention is paid to it. The tea plant has been tried in botanic gardens and is found to thrive. The islands are rich in odorous flowers, and the manufacture of essences and perfumes is increasing. Cinnamon, the pepper tree, and many others of the valuable plants of the Malay Peninsula and the East Indies either grow here natually or can be easily introduced.

The islands are very rich in forests, and they contain many, valuable woods, mostly unknown even by name in the rest of the world There are said to be thirty-two tinctorial woods, giving the entire series of colour and shades. Among the valuable ones is the ebony, with very black and fine-grained wood, of high value for fine furniture. The magkano of the forests of Mindanao is said to be absolutely remain intact in the interior except for Luzon.

The chief domestic animal is that useful and the 12th instant. tractable Oriental beast, not our bison, but the The horse is small, active, hardy, but rustic. well, but the sheep are inferior. The most of The processes of manufacture are yet crude these animals have in places escaped from and-antiquated. There are a few large plant- domestication, and large numbers of wild ones

larger estates under the charge of corporations. | through the islands, but few are yet mined The Manila hemp is so called because of the profitably. Gold exists generally over the

southern Luzon, especially in the Camachin stations we possess anywhere. hemp. hemp. hemp. Southern Luzon, especially in the Camachin A correspondent says:—Colonel Lewis ac- The native name for fibre is abaca, taken Mountains where there are now a few small sanction such a costly work as the break. 1893 it amounted to 97,787 tons, valued at two powder factory at Munita: It comes from a solfwater.—L. & C. Express.

In Pont-Changking, Sishani

NOTANDA. CALENDAR.

Meleorological means based on ten years' observations to 1893. Barometer29.818 Thermometer80.1 Humidity......77 Rainfall 8.58

TO-DAY: WEATHER REPORT. .. On date at On date at 30.10 Thermometer 64

Rainfall..... TO-DAY. Saturday, 7th January, 1899. Chinese-26th of 11th moon of 25th year of Kavang-sit

High water- Morning shr., Smin.

Afternoon shr. 28min.

Low water - Morning ohr. 12min. Afternoon ohr. omin. ANNIVERSARIES. 4 558-Calais lost. 1697-Swam R. W. Australia discovered. 1841- Forts at Chuenpi taken, with great

1889 - Northempioushire Regiment-left Hong- THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., 1896--Japanese Government handed Port Arthur over to the Chinese. H.M.S.

" Caroline left for England, 1897 The Mansion House Indian Famine Fund opened.

TO-MORROW. Sunday, 8th January, 1899. Chinese -- 27th of 11th moon of 25th year of . Kroang-sil.

High water- Morning ohr. 14min. Afternoon 5hr. 24min. Low water- Morning ohr. 31min. and toher. 5min. AMNIVERSARIES.

1783-Gunnlir of the Lady Hughes strangled 1840 -- China decreed against trade with

4852 -kee one-fourth inch thick at Canton: 1864 - Prince Albert Victor born. 1892 -- Steamer Namehore lost off Cup Chi near Swarow, with loss of nearly 500 persons, including Captain and officers.

1896 - Chi Chuan appointed Special Envoy to Russia on a secret mission. 1897-Armed attack on a silk dealer's shop in Winglok Street, \$160 stolen.

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CHURCH-SERVICES

St. John's Cathedral:--Communion, 7 a.m., Matins, 14 a.m., Evensong, 5.45 p.m. Roman Catholic Cathedral:-Mass at 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 9.30 g.m. Benediction,

Union Church :-- Services, "11 a.m. and 6 p.m. German Bothesia Chapel, West Point :- Morning Service, 11 a.m. St. Francis' Church, Wanchni: - Mass (Chin.)

 \leftarrow a.m., (Port.), 7.30 a.m. Benediction, Joseph's Church, Garden Road :- Morning Service (English), 9 a,m. St. Anthony's Chapel, West Point 4-Mass,

Wesleyan Methodist Church: -- Services 10.30 him and 5.45 pan. St. Peter's Seamen's Church ;--- 1 a.m. and

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

 Adstralian (Gatheric) to-morrow. Indian (Lightning) 10th inst. German (Preussen) 11th inst. Australian (Kasuga Maru) 16th inst. American (City of Peking) 20th inst: American (Gwelle) 21st inst. Canadian (Empress of India) 23rd inst.

Wk are informed by the Agents of the Austrian Lloyd's S. N. Co.'s steamer Gisela, left Singapore for this port last night, the 6th instant.

THE O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Dorle with mails, etc., which left hence December 8th for San Francisco, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu, arrived at her destination on the 5th instant.

THE Imperial German Mail Lines. Preussen carrying the German Mails with dates from -Berlin of the 12th ulto., left Singapore for this port at 4 p.m. yesterday, the 6th, and may be expected here on or about Thursday morning,

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

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Ontward-Dec. 6th Tantalus; Dec. 9th Sikh Socotra, Vladimir; Dec. 13th Patroclus, Nors man Isles; Dec. 16th Sarnia, Vine Branch; Dec. 20th Glenesk, Prussen, Ettrickdale; Dec. 23rd Wennington Hall, Tonkin; Dec. 27th

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1899.

Head Mistress.

LIMITED.

(NOTICE OF CALL.)

NIOTICE is hereby given that at a MEETING of the Board of Directors | Captain Bartlett, will be despatched as above of the above Company held at No. 5, Queen's on TUESDAY, the 10th January. Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on the Sixth day of December, 1898, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

." That a FIRST and FINAL CALL of "TEN DOLLARS (\$10) per SHARE, upon "all the SHAREHOLDERS in the above "Company, in respect of all the shares "held by them in the above Company, be "and the same is hereby made. Such "CALL to be PAID to the Company at "their Bankers, the HONGKOND AND "SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. "Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hong-"kong, on or before the 1st day of March, " 1800."

By order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER. Secretary to the HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY Co., LD. General Agents, THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO.,

Hongkong, 1st January, 1899.

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Hongkong, 7th January, 1899. DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, . LIMITED.

THE Company's Chartered Steamship. "TAICHOW," Captain Primrose, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 8th instant,

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUE

at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co... General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th January, 1899.

OCEAN-STEAMSHIP-COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Company's Steamship

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Hongkong, 30th December, 1898. MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK WIN SUEZ CANAL. THE Steamship will be despatched as above on or about the 12th January, 1899.

S.S. "ENERGIA",....About 19th Jan., 1899. S.S. "PATHAN" 31st Jan., 1899. S.S. "ARGYLL" " 15th Feb., 1899. 28th Feb., 1899. For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1898, ... [1360 FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"COMMONWEALTH," will be despatched for the above port on or about the 20th January, 1898. For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

Hongkong, 29th December, 1898. [1532 UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN

STEAMSHIP LINE FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship "EIDSVOLD," Captain Anderson, will be despatched as above

on TUESDAY, the 24th instant, at 3 P.M. For Freight, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, 6th January, 1899. UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN

----STEAMSHIP LINE. FOR NEW YORK (DIRECT). THE Steamship

"KENMORE," Captain Ellis, will be despatched as above on or about the 8th February.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.... Hongkong, 3rd January, 1899.

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Steamship "INDRANI,"

Captain Trotter, will be despatched as above on or about the 20th February. For Freight, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

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from 8 A.M. to 4 P.M. Consultation free of Those who wish Mr-WINTER to visit them. will please send their Address and he will callon MONDAYS and FRIDAYS between 2 and

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| STEAMERS. | DESTINATIONS | SAILING DATES. |
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| HITACHI MARU | {VOKOHAMA, ROBE, KURE} and MOJI | THURSDAY, 12th January, at 4 P.M. THURSDAY, 12th January, |
| NAGOSHIMA MARU | KOBE and YOKOHAMA' | at 4 P.M. |
| R. Nunome | NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO- | THURSDAY, 19th January, |
| J. Nagao | MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANT | SUNDAY, 22nd January, at |
| , W. Bainbridge Lagon | COLOMBO and PORT SAID | Daylight. THURSDAY, 26th January, |
| Tokio Myrt amagana | THURSDAY ISLAND, FOWNS, J. VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY | FRIDAY, 27th January, at |
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> A. S. MIHARA. Manager,

Hongkong, 6th January, 1899.

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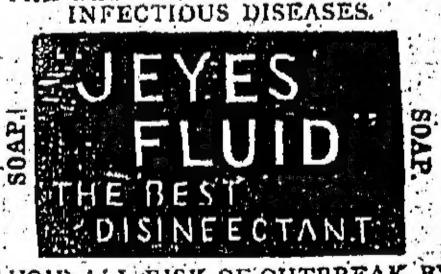
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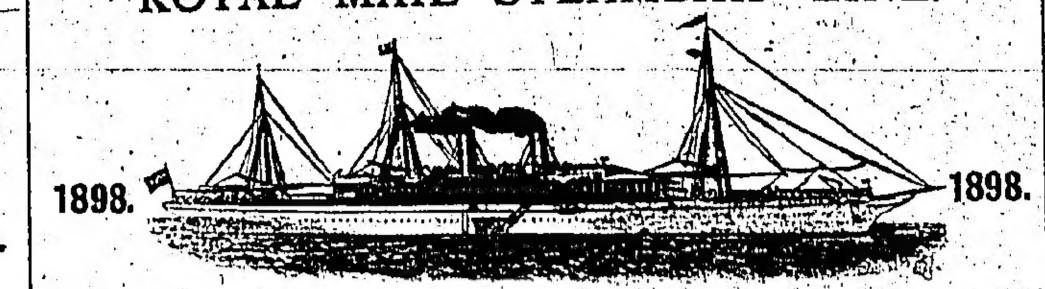
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TO SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

AMERICA MARU (via) Yokohama & Hono-

HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)

NIPPON MARU '(via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Hono-

at Noon. -

THE Steamship

"AMERICA MARU," will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, IN-LAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONO-LULU, on SATURDAY, the 14th January, THE attention of Passengers is directed to 1899, at NOON, taking Freight and Passengers

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1898.

FOR NEW YORK. THE * 3/3 A, I. I. American Ship

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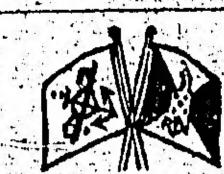
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Hongkong, China and Japan. Hongkong, 7th January, 1899.

U.S. MAIL LINE. PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND

HONOLULÚ. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via) Shanghai, Nagasaki, Saturday, 21st Jan., Kobe, Inland Sea,

Yokohama & Hono-China (via Shanghai,) Nagasaki, Kobe, In- (Thursday, 16th Feb.,

land Sea, Yokohana City of Rio'de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland

Tuesday, 14th March,

THE U.S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF PEKING," will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, IN-LAND SEA, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 21st January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent Hongkong, 28th December, 1898.

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AND EUROPE; THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG Gaelie (via Shanghai,) Nagasaki, Kobe, In- (Tuesday, 31st Jan., 1899, at Noon.

at Noon. and Honolulu).

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, In-(Tuesday, 21st March, land Sea, Jokohama at Noon... and Honolulu).

THE Company's Steamship

"GAELIC," will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, IN-LAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLU-LU, on TUESDAY, the 31st instant, at Noon.

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